

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Confirmation No. 6817

Richard GRIFFITHS et al.

Docket No. 00263/JMH/JM/1172-US

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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a three month extension of time to respond to the communication of September 18, 2001.

The fee of \$460.00 is

- (X) submitted herewith.
- () to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.
- (X) Small entity status of this application is established by the verified statement under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 which
 - () is enclosed.
 - (X) has been previously submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard GRIFFITHS et al.

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